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REVIEWS.

A Treatise on the Law of Agency. By William Lawrence Clark and Henry H. Skyles. Keefe, Davidson Company, St Paul, 1905. 2 vols. Sheep, pages 2178.

Mr. Clark needs no introduction to the legal world. As the author of a work on private corporations and other treatises, he is known to the student, and appreciated for his lucidity of statement and simplicity of style; while to the practitioner, his works indicate a breadth of legal acumen intelligently and accurately to explore that "codeless myriad of precedent" of which the average lawyer stands in awe. The present volumes sustain and accentuate this reputation. With his collaborator, he has given us a work free from ambiguities, and this alone is sufficient to command the lawyer's attention.

The work is exhaustive; it treats of the law of agency in all of its ramifications; includes monographs on attorneys, brokers and factors, auctioneers, etc. When there are conflicts in the authorities, the theories upon which the courts have divided are stated in clear and terse terms. There are few digressions for theoretical discussions, the authors confining themselves to an elucidation and comparison of live principles. Perhaps it is superfluous to state that the comprehensive treatment accorded the subjects renders its use as a text in law schools impracticable; its place is in the practitioner's office. It is to be regretted that in the citation of cases references to the various reporter systems are only partially given, one of the most widely used being entirely omitted. The custom of citing the various reporters, characteristic of the best recent legal works, is a valuable one, enhancing their value to many practitioners in a marked degree. One of the most commendable features of the work is the completeness of analysis, each subject being divided into its constituent parts and designated by paragraphs preceded by black letter head lines, and a résumé of the same placed at the beginning of each chapter. The publishers are to be congratulated on the form and appearance of this work, which will exemplify the admirable features which have characterized their former efforts to be of service to the profession.

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A Treatise on the Law of Real Property. By Frank Goodwin, A. M., Emeritus Professor of the Law of Real Property in the Law School of Boston University. Little, Brown & Co., Boston. Sheep, pages 531.

The Law of Real Property, condensed in four hundred and sixty reading pages, will not, we think, meet the unqualified